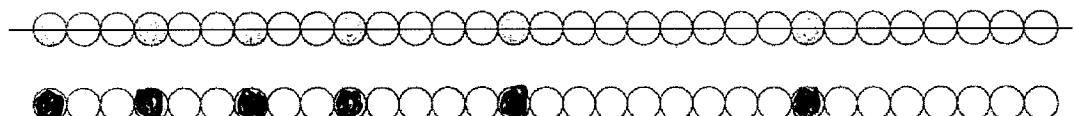


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In the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph on page 18, lines 15 – 22 (of the English translation = page 13, lines 15-20 of the Substitute specification) as follows [dark spheres were added where only faintly darkened in prior document].

A diagrammatic representation of the copolymer obtained may be as follows:



in which the dark spheres denote the styrene/
methacrylic acid sequences and the white spheres denote the ethyl acrylate sequences.